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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone was steady to barely steady for 8-16 lb hens and barely steady to weak for 16-24 lb toms. Supplies were fully adequate. Demand was light for deferred shipments. Trading was moderate on hens and toms in the East and Midwest for current shipments. In the Midwest a light volume of fresh hens and toms traded at open prices for March deliveries. Domestic activity was limited on bulk meats and parts.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Export activity was quiet. The industry watched for indications of new developments concerning the Russian ban on U.S. poultry.

SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| TURKEYS Y HENS | 89-119 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22# | 89-119 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24# | 85-105 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26# | 84-105 |
| TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER | 102-105 |

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 67-73 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP | 73-85 |
| BREASTS 10-12# | 135-145 |
| COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP | |

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

| | <u>RANGE</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 96 |
| FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 96 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16# | 65 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24# | 62 |
| FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28# | 67-73 |

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

| | OFFERS | SALES | WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) |
|---------------------|---------|-------|------------|-----------------|
| 8-16 LB HENS | | | | |
| EASTERN REGION 3/ | 59 | 59 | 59.00 | 240 |
| CENTRAL REGION 4/ | 57.5-59 | 59 | 59.00 | 680 |
| WESTERN REGION 5/ | 59-60 | - | - | - |

16-24 LB TOMS

| | | | | |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| EASTERN REGION | 55-57 | 56-57 | 56.14 | 280 |
| CENTRAL REGION | 54-56 | 56 | 56.00 | 520 |
| WESTERN REGION | 55-56 | - | - | - |

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

| WTD AVG | VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|
| - | - | - |
| - | - | - |
| - | - | - |
| - | - | - |
| - | - | - |
| - | - | - |
| - | - | - |

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

| VOLUME (000) | DEL. PER |
|-----------------|-------------|
| - | - |
| - | - |
| - | - |
| - | - |
| - | - |
| - | - |
| - | - |

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT. FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 11 MARCH 2002.

Export demand and trading slow with most buyers taking a wait and see position while they watch for further market ramifications from Russia's poultry import ban. Domestic demand and trading centered on a fair volume of fresh mechanically separated turkey for March - April shipments, balance light. Frozen thigh meat offerings were available, including some with age.

| DOMESTIC TRADING | PRICE RANGE | L.S.T. CODE 1/ | WTD AVG PRICE | VOLUME (000) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ | | F | 95.00 | 400 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ | | F | 139.11 | 180 |
| BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM | 28.00-30.00 | | 29.33 | 60 |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH | | F | 30.00 | 40 |
| DRUMSTICKS, HEN | | W | 29.00 | 20 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM | | F | 26.64 | 55 |
| WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN | 27.00 | | 27.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | 32.00 | | 32.00 | 40 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN | | F | 39.40 | 100 |
| NECKS, TOM | | F | 20.66 | 201 |
| NECKS, HEN | | | | |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ | | F | 123.50 | 160 |
| BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ | | F | 128.11 | 180 |
| THIGH MEAT | | F | 61.00 | 20 |
| THIGH MEAT—FRESH | | F | 59.00 | 80 |
| BREAST TRIM MEAT | | F | 104.54 | 37 |
| SCAPULA MEAT | | W | 98.00 | 80 |
| TENDERLOINS | | F | 115.00 | 52 |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS | | F | 127.00 | 20 |
| DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH | 130.00 | | 130.00 | 160 |
| WING MEAT WITH SKIN | | F | 74.50 | 80 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | 13.00 | | 13.00 | 20 |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/ | 13.00 | | 13.00 | 400 |
| EXPORT TRADING | | | | |
| DRUMSTICKS, TOMS | 29.00 | | 29.00 | 104 |
| WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS | | R | 26.50 | 40 |
| WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM | | | | |
| TAILS | | | | |
| MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ | 9.00 | | 9.00 | 156 |
| THIGH MEAT - FROZEN | | F | 59.23 | 224 |

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.